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SUBJ: THE LOS ANGELES/BOMBAY SISTER CITY AFFILIATION

1. ROBERT HARDY ANDREWS, EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN OF THE LOS ANGELES/BOMBAY SISTER CITY AFFILIATION CALLED AT THE EMBASSY JANUARY 27 TO ACQUAINT US WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S PLANS FOR THEIR CURRENT STAY IN INDIA. ANDREWS HAS A CHECK FOR TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS TO PRESENT TO THE CITY OF BOMBAY FOR USE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL THERE, AN INSTITUTION WHICH ANDREWS SAYS HAS IMPROVED AND EXPANDED AS A RESULT OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS PROVIDED BY HIS ORGANIZATION.

2. THE GROUP DEPARTS NEW DELHI JANUARY 28 FOR BOMBAY VIA MADRAS, BANGALORE AND GOA. ETA BOMBAY IS FEBRUARY 7. ANDREWS PLANS TO CALL ON THE CONSUL GENERAL AND INVITE HIM TO THE SEVERAL FUNCTIONS THE GROUP WILL HAVE IN COOPERATION WITH THEIR BOMBAY COUNTERPARTS. ANDREWS IS CARRYING PRESENTATION SCROLLS FROM THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES TO THE MAYOR OF BOMBAY, SRI NANALAL D. MEHTA AND THE INDO AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BOMBAY.

3. WE BRIEFED ANDREWS ON THE STATE OF US-INDIAN RELATIONS. HE APPEARED TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM; SAID HIS GROUP WAS APOLITICAL, AND COMMITTED ONLY TO A HUMANITARIAN PROGRAM. WE SEE NO PROBLEM IN THE
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CONSUL GENERAL ATTENDING WHATEVER FUNCTIONS OF THE

GROUP APPEAR TO BE APPROPRIATE AND DESERVING OF HIS
SUPPORT, BUT WE WOULD NOT WANT THE CG TO SPEAK AT
SUCH OCCASIONS AT THIS TIME. WE WILL MENTION THIS
MATTER INFORMALLY TO TEJA ON JANUARY 28.
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